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EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WITH
REFERENCE TO RADIO COMMUNICATION

No. 2011—August 5, 1914

Whereas Proclamations having been issued by me declaring the neutrality of the United States of America in the wars now existing between various European nations; and

Whereas it is desirable to take precautions to insure the enforcement of said Proclamations in so far as the use of radio communication is concerned;

It is now ordered, by virtue of authority vested in me to establish regulations on the subject, that all radio stations within the jurisdiction of the United States of America are hereby prohibited from transmitting or receiving for delivery messages of an unneutral nature, and from in any way rendering to any one of the belligerents any unneutral service, during the continuance of hostilities.

The enforcement of this order is hereby delegated to the Secretary of the Navy, who is authorized and directed to take such action in the premises as to him may appear necessary.

This order to take effect from and after this date.

WOODROW WILSON.

THE WHITE HOUSE.

EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WITH
FURTHER REFERENCE TO RADIO COMMUNICATION

No. 2042—September 5, 1914

WHEREAS an order has been issued by me dated August 5, 1914 declaring that all radio stations within the jurisdiction of the United States of America were prohibited from transmitting or receiving for delivery messages of an unneutral nature and from in any way rendering to any one of the belligerents any unneutral service; and

WHEREAS it is desirable to take precautions to insure the enforcement of said order insofar as it relates to the transmission of code and

cipher messages by high-powered stations capable of trans-Atlantic communication;

NOW THEREFORE it is ordered by virtue of authority vested in me by the radio Act of August 13, 1912, that one or more of the high-powered radio stations within the jurisdiction of the United States and capable of trans-Atlantic communication shall be taken over by the Government of the United States and used or controlled by it to the exclusion of any other control or use for the purpose of carrying on communication with land stations in Europe, including code and cipher messages.

The enforcement of this order and the preparation of regulations therefor is hereby delegated to the Secretary of the Navy, who is authorized and directed to take such action in the premises as to him may appear necessary.

This order shall take effect from and after this date.

WOODROW WILSON.

THE WHITE HOUSE.

CIRCULAR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES WITH
REFERENCE TO LIABILITY FOR MILITARY SERVICE IN FOREIGN COUN-
TRIES OF PERSONS RESIDING IN THE UNITED STATES

Issued August 14, 1914

The Department of State has recently received numerous inquiries from foreign-born persons residing in this country as to whether they may be compelled to perform military service in their native lands and as to what penalties, by way of fines, confiscation of property, or imprisonment in case of return, they will incur if they fail to report to the authorities of their countries of origin for military service. Some of the inquiries refer to persons who have obtained naturalization as citizens of the United States, others to persons who have made declarations of intention to become American citizens, and still others to persons who have taken no steps toward acquiring American citizenship. Misconception and confusion concerning this matter appear to be current.

The United States is not a party to any treaties under which persons of foreign origin residing in this country may be compelled to return to their countries of origin for military service, nor is there any way in which